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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF PETITION DECISION

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the Petition Decision dated

21 May 2004. Attached hereto is a copy of the Continued Prosecution Application

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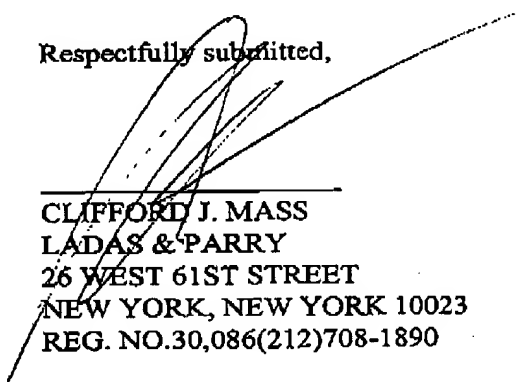
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papers filed April 15, 2003 (with correct application serial number 09/147,914) along with postcard receipt (again). The papers show that Applicant did not pay or authorize payment of the filing fee (see paragraph 9 of attached CPA papers).

The Petition Decision speculates that the CPA papers may have been filed with an incorrect serial number. The serial number on the CPA papers was correct (see attached). The fault for the abandonment and the delay in withdrawal thereof lies fully and completely with the USPTO. A prompt and immediate withdrawal of the abandonment is earnestly solicited and is respectfully believed to be fully warranted.

Respectfully submitted,



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